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REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the claim amendments and following remarks.

Claims 1-37 are pending in the present application, of which, Claims 1, 11, 20, 32, and 35 are independent.

Restriction Requirement

The aforementioned Restriction Requirement asserts that the present application contains claims that are directed to two distinct inventions. As defined in the Official Action, these inventions are:

Group I: Claims 1-10 and 32-37, directed to a cooling system and its corresponding method of cooling.

Group II: Claims 11-31, directed to an electronic system.

A restriction requirement has been imposed requiring an election of one of the two groups on the alleged basis that the above-identified groups are distinct from each other. In addition, the Official Action alleges that the search required for one of the groups is not required for the other group.

In response to that restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, Group II, directed to Claims 11-31.

The election is made with traverse, because it is believed that all of the claims of this application can be examined at the same time without serious burden. The search required

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for the non-elected groups would likely be co-extensive with that required for the elected group, because all the groups include embodiments involving a cooling system for cooling a heat generating component of an electronic system. In addition, many of the features claimed in the claims of the non-elected groups are included in the claims of the elected Group II. For instance, non-elected Claim 1 includes all of the features of elected Claim 25.

As such, the search required for Claims 11-31 will, in most likelihood, encompass a search for non-elected Claims 1-10 and 32-37. As stated in Section 803 of the MPEP, "If the search and examination of all the claims in an application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine them on the merits, even though they include claims to independent or distinct inventions."

It is thus submitted that no serious burden would result if all of the embodiments of this application were examined concurrently. Accordingly, withdrawal of the restriction requirement and examination of all of the claims contained in this application, are respectfully requested.

Conclusion

In light of the foregoing, withdrawal of the restriction requirement and examination of all of the claims of this application are respectfully requested.

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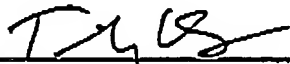
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Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference with the undersigned would assist in resolving any issues pertaining to the above-identified application, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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